

1919 Champs Here Today--Comiskey Laces Doig

FAST CONTEST IS WON FROM EVANSVILLE BY ISLANDERS, 2 TO 0; DENNIS' FOURTH WIN

Rock Island Twirler Lets Only Two Men Get to Second Base Despite Eight Hits.

It required just an hour and thirty minutes of pastime in the midst of the arctic breezes that swept across Douglas park yesterday afternoon for the Islanders to check in a 2 to 0 victory over pleasant Little Evans. Pitcher Hubert Dennis was on the mound for the Islanders, and to say he twirled true to form is putting it mildly. It was his fourth straight victory of the season.

It was a shut-out victory well-earned by Dennis. Eight bingles were collected off his delivery, but not one Eva got a chance to greet third base. In the third inning one surprised himself when a roostered on second by means of a base hit by a teammate. Then along in the fifth the same man, who happened to be Shields, the Eva pitcher, got to second again. And that was the extent of the danger, if it could be called such, in which Dennis found himself during the whole nine innings. He struck out eight batters and three of them came in the last inning just to hurry the finish. One Eva got a life with a base on balls.

But Pitcher Shields of the Evans displayed excellent form also, and for the fact that the Islanders got two of those six hits when a hit meant a run, the contest might have gone on for many innings. But the war clubs of Ben Smith and Elmer Benson were primed for the opportunities when presented to them, with the net result that each drove in a runner who had preceded them on the bags by means of a base knock.

In the third inning Shields singled to left field with one out and stole second base. Benson worked Shields for four wide ones. Smith delivered with a clean single to right and Jones scored. Benson was tossed out trying to make third on the hit. In the eighth Murphy beat out a bunt to start the inning and wait to second on Jones' sacrifice. Benson then placed a spiffy single to right and Murphy scored without the necessity of a slide.

But for the frigid weather, the game was one of the best that it is possible to witness in a season. This made up for the defeat sustained by the Islanders on Tuesday at the hands of Evansville, and the boys are content to wait the return of Manager Groh and his outfit on the next time around, when a double header will be staged to make up for the contest canceled.

Score and summary:
Evansville: AB. R. H. P. A. E.
Buehling, cf. 4 0 0 1 0 0
Lofgren, 1b. 4 0 1 3 0 0
Meyers, 2b. 4 0 1 2 0 0
Groh, ss. 3 0 0 2 1 0
Young, c. 4 0 0 6 0 0
Knepper, 3b. 4 0 3 1 1 1
Lofgren, 1b. 4 0 1 7 0 0
Barn, rf. 4 0 0 1 1 0
Shields, p. 3 0 2 1 4
Totals 34 0 8 24 7 1

Rock Island: AB. R. H. P. A. E.
Murphy, ss. 3 1 1 1 3 0
Jones, rf. 3 1 1 3 0 0
Benson, 2b. 3 1 1 3 1 1
Smith, 1b. 4 0 1 3 0 0
Miller, cf. 4 0 1 0 0 0
McClure, c. 3 0 1 0 0 0
Glockson, 3b. 3 0 1 2 0 0
Barn, c. 3 0 0 8 2 0
Dennis, p. 3 0 0 4 0 0
Totals 28 2 6 27 10 1

Evansville 000000000-0
Rock Island 00100001-2
Sacrifice hits—Murphy, Jones.
Bases—Jones, Smith, Bases.
Struck out—By Dennis, 8; by Shields, 5. Time of game—1:30.
Umpire—Burnside.

ROX OUTPLAY THE TRACTORS TO WIN AN EASY VICTORY

Rockford, Ill., May 14.—Rockford outplayed Peoria at every point of the game yesterday and deserved its victory. Tractor pitchers were wild and ineffective and all the breakers of the contest were in favor of the home team.

Score by innings: R. H. E.
Peoria 200000000-2 8 3
Rockford 10010232x-9 13 0

Summary—Earned runs—Peoria, 2; Rockford, 5. Stolen bases—Schollenberger. Sacrifice hits—Jackson. Three-base hit—Roth. Smith. Runs batted in—Roth, Danner, Pearce, Schollenberger, Brandt (2), Smith (2), Rigby, Hank. Left on bases—Peoria, 6; Rockford, 5. Hits—off Gillinwater, 9 hits and 4 runs in five and two-thirds innings; off Robbins, 4 hits and 3 runs in two and one-third innings. Bases on balls—off Gillinwater, 1; off Robbins, 5; off Hummel, 2. Struck out—By Gillinwater, 3; by Robbins, 1; by Hummel, 5. Wild pitches—Gillinwater, 2. Passed ball—Roth, 2. Double plays—Jackson to Brown; Brown to Drennon to Jackson; Brandt to Smith. Time—1:51. Umpire—Weir.

STAGE SET FOR ANNUAL EVENT ON THE TRACK

Rock Island Is Said to Stand Excellent Chance of Winning Premier Honors.

BY "TRY."

The stage is set for the quadric outdoor track meet which is to be held tomorrow afternoon on the new East Moline field. Davenport is generally conceded to win the meet on the grounds of the Iowa's victory in the indoor meet. The locals are going to put up a good fight and may turn the tables. It is not thought that Moline or East Moline will prove dangerous enough to beat out either Rock Island or Davenport.

The red and blue squad this year has several first place men, but lacks a sufficient number of second and third point getters. This week have to take a second place.

Rock Island squad is twice as strong as it was in the indoor meet, giving the Islanders a chance to bring home the cup.

Davenport probably will take first, both the half and mile runs. Ford of Moline, who won second in the mile at Galesburg, may spoil the dope and beat out Priess. Ford has improved since the previous meet and the Davenport man will have to run hard to beat him. In the half mile Schick will have no strong competition except Wright, also of Moline, who took third in the Big Eight in that event.

In the 440 yard dash Miltstead ought to win out for Rock Island. Wood of Moline and Miltstead will have a hard time fighting it out for superiority in the discus. Miltstead beat the Swede at Galesburg and has a slight edge on him as a result. Davenport has no strong man entered in either of these events. The pole vault will likely be taken by Wright of Moline, winner of that event in the Augie meet.

Rock Island places most of its chances to win on the sprinters. Paddock, Loggren and Harper. These three men are the fastest in the vicinity and are expected to make most of the points for the locals. Paddock is also expected to take first in the broad jump. He placed second in the Big Eight last Saturday, jumping well over 19 feet. With such men in line the Islanders are almost sure of the half mile relay.

Jennings of Davenport will probably take the hurdles, both low and high. Duffin should run him a close race throughout and Johnson, also a local entry, should show up well. In the high jump Sears of Davenport no doubt will take the initial place unless Ulemeyer of Rock Island jumps. This week he sprained his wrist while jumping so that he probably will be unable to enter. If he did, Sears no doubt would have to take a second place.

Battle Creek, Mich., May 14.—Tony Melchior, Chicago, knocked out Soldier Jim Marples, St. Louis, in the first of a scheduled 10 round bout at Camp Custer.

JIM DUNN AND CHESTY TRIBE SHOW ON SCENE

Islanders Start Series With Bloomers in Hopes of Reaching the Top.

We have with us today, Jim Dunn and his tribe of chesty champions of the vintage of 1919. They have come for a three-day visit in Rock Island, during the course of which they mingle with the Islanders in each afternoon at Douglas park, games to start today and tomorrow at 3:15 o'clock and on Sunday at 3 o'clock.

At present writing the Dunn men are leading the other seven clubs on the circuit by the matter of one game. A lovely opportunity is thus presented to the Islanders to dislodge them and perhaps assume the leading role—that is, providing Rockford is tumbled by Peoria.

If you notice in the percentage column today, the Tighe men are resting in third place with seven won and six lost for a percentage of .538. This is not so bad, is it, Mr. Fan, for a team that had to be gathered from all parts of the country and molded into a machine in the midst of cold, spring weather? Perhaps, also you have noted that during the present week the Islanders have been swatting the old apple in a glorious fashion have scored a lot of runs as a result. Yesterday's 2 to 1 victory over Evansville was quite a stunt to perform so early in the season.

Jack Tighe will strive hard to average the two defeats suffered by his team at the hands of the Bloomers at the start of the league race. If this is accomplished and then Rockford, which follows, can be taken into camp, the team should rest at the top of the heap. Tighe is casting about for another pitcher to take the place of Dougherty in an effort to bring the staff up to proper strength. If successful in landing a good one, just watch the smoke of the Islanders.

Dougherty was dickering with Evansville last night and it is likely that the big fellow has already landed another berth.

HOW THEY STAND

THREE-EYE LEAGUE.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Bloomington	8	5	.615
Rockford	7	5	.583
Rock Island	7	6	.538
Terre Haute	6	6	.500
Peoria	6	7	.462
Evansville	5	7	.417
Cedar Rapids	4	7	.364

AMERICAN LEAGUE.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	16	6	.727
Boston	14	7	.667
Chicago	11	9	.550
New York	11	11	.500
Washington	10	11	.476
St. Louis	10	11	.476
Philadelphia	7	13	.350
Detroit	5	16	.238

NATIONAL LEAGUE.			
	W.	L.	Pct.
Boston	10	6	.625
Cincinnati	14	9	.609
Pittsburgh	11	9	.550
Brooklyn	10	9	.526
Chicago	11	12	.478
Philadelphia	9	12	.429
St. Louis	9	12	.429
New York	7	12	.368

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Three-eye League.
Rock Island, 2; Evansville, 0.
Rockford, 9; Peoria, 2.
Cedar Rapids, 3; Terre Haute, 1.
Bloomington, 7; Moline, 2.

American League.
All games postponed.

National League.
Chicago, 5; Brooklyn, 1.
New York, 6; Cincinnati, 0.
St. Louis, 9; Boston, 2.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, wet grounds.

BREAK WIN STREAK.

St. Louis, Mo., May 14.—The Cardinals broke Boston's winning streak, 9 to 3. Smith put St. Louis in the lead in the fifth, when he drove the ball into the rightfield bleachers, scoring Haines, who had singled ahead of him.

McHenry was put out of the game by Umpire Moran in the sixth for arguing when he was called out for grounding to Boeckel while attempting to get out of the way of a pitched ball. Moran refused to allow the claim of a dead ball. The score: R. H. E.
Boston 3 13 3
St. Louis 9 12 1
Batteries—Oeschger, Jones and Gowdy; Haines and Clemons.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS BY ALLMAN



The SPORTLIGHT by Grantland Rice

Beyond All Things.

"He played the game"—What finer epitaph can stand? Or who can earn a fairer fame When Time at last has called his hand? Regardless of the mocking roar, Regardless of the final score, To fight it out, raw blow for blow, Until your time has come to go, On out beyond all praise or blame, Beyond the twilight's purple glow, Where Fate can write against your name.

This closing line for friend or foe: "He played the game."

"He played the game"—What more is there that one can say? What other word might add acclaim To this lone phrase that rules the fray? Regardless of the breaks of chance, Regardless of all circumstance, To rise above the whims of Fate, Where dreams at times are desolate.

Where failure seems your final aim And disappointment is your mate, Where Fate can write in words of flame, This closing line above the gate: "He played the game."

Mike O'Dowd took them all as they came, from fight to trunks to khaki. He was one of the few that maintained his profession inside the ropes. Being a fighter by trade, he stuck to fighting. The least that Johnny Wilson can do is give Michael a return match. He has earned it to the limit of 100 per cent.

The Kid Concedes Nothing.

Among those who refuse to concede the pennant this season is none other than Kid Gleason, the pilot who carried the White Sox over the breakers a year ago.

The Kid won his race in 1919, and he can see no reason for not winning in 1920.

"They counted us out," he says, "for two reasons: one, that decisions would break us up, the other that we had no pitching staff left."

"It so happens there isn't any discussion around. And it happens also that we are getting better pitching this season than we got a year ago. And with Schalk, Collins, Weaver, Joe Jackson and Felsch, among others, still around, I can see no reason to take a running jump into the lake yet. Besides, we'll like another shot at the Reds." To say nothing at all of another shot at the winner's end, a mere \$5,000 each.

The saddest sound with the deepest blight Is the splash where the dollar golf balls light.

CICOTTE TAKEN ILL WITH TONSILLITIS

New York, May 14.—Rainy, cold weather came to the rescue of Kid Gleason and his panic stricken White Sox yesterday, the third of the series with the Yankees being set forward to some future date. The respite was more than welcome, as Gleason is mighty shy on pitching talent and, besides, the entire team seems to be more or less off its stride as the result of the recent whippings.

The pitching staff was further weakened last night when Eddie Cicotte, who had been complaining about a sore throat for several days, was taken down with tonsillitis.

BLAND REDLEGS.
Cincinnati, Ohio, May 14.—Benton was strong with runners on the bases yesterday and the Cincinnati

champions were shut out by the Giants, 6 to 0. Fisher was wild in the first inning, but pitched well after that, though hampered by wretched support. Luque was hit hard in the last two rounds. Burns' felding was a feature. The score: New York 6 10 0
Cincinnati 0 7 4
Batteries—Benton and Snyder; Luque, Fisher and Rariden.

ST. PAUL BOXER WINS NINE OF TEN ROUNDS FROM DOIG IN FAST MILL AT EMPIRE

Is Far Superior To "Goats" In All Departments of the Game—Was Outweighed.

CEDAR RAPIDS IN WIN FROM BROWNS BY SCORE 3 TO 1

Tommy Comiskey started in the second round last night to teach Goats Doig a few things about the fine points of the boxing game, and in every round from that one to the end he stood far in the lead. The first round was even, Comiskey electing to size up his larger opponent before starting in to demonstrate his class.

Doig failed to land on a vital part of the St. Paul boy's anatomy until the seventh round, and then he got in the only two good punches that it can be said met their target. Comiskey stepped away and jabbed with his left lead to the face or swung gracefully inside of Doig's defense and worked on the body in systematic manner.

In the eighth he connected with as many as four and five blows without a return. Goats was continually dodging it throughout the fight. At the end his nose was badly battered and one eye was wrecked. Not so much as a piece of scratched skin showed on Tommy. His left ear was puffed to about five times normal size, however. The ear was in bad shape to start with and Doig irritated it every time he got the opportunity by rubbing it briskly with his mitt.

Doig Havier.

Comiskey weighed 144 pounds last night and Doig was easily 158. But despite this large difference in weight, its only advantage to Doig was that it made him better able to withstand Comiskey's punches. The La Salle boxer tried to wear the lighter man down by continually laying over him and pushing him about the ring but Comiskey surprised everyone by his own powers to shake Doig away or swing him about with equal facility.

Comiskey's footwork was about as pleasing a thing for the fight fan to look upon as anything could be, and added to this his blocking was perfect against the slower Doig. Doig seemed to lose heart at his repeated failure to connect with his leads. Mike Gibbons' style showed in every move of Comiskey's.

Tommy was fast arriving at the point where Jack Britton must take him on, and there are many who will wager that he gives the champion of the welters a merry time. His victory last night in so decisive a manner was pleasing in more ways than one to his great crowd of followers in the tri-city, not least of which is that it looks bad for Dennis O'Keefe if the pair ever get together again in the same ring.

The semi-windup between Frankie Ritchie of Boone, Iowa, and Eddie Krips of Chicago produced a lot of action. Ritchie

Cedar Rapids, Iowa, May 14.—Cedar Rapids won from Terre Haute yesterday, 3 to 1, by Reinhardt and Hardgrove's good hitting. In the third Reinhardt's single was followed by Hardgrove's triple. In the seventh Reinhardt tripled and Hardgrove singled. Fitzpatrick was effective, keeping the hits well scattered.

Score by innings: R. H. E.
Terre Haute 000000001-1 9 0
C. Rapids 00100020x-3 8 1

Summary—Two-base hit—Reinhardt. Three-base hit—Hardgrove. Reinhardt. Stolen bases—Hruska, Klumb (2); Benson. Sacrifice hit—Hardgrove. Double plays—Collins (unassisted); Hruska to Hardgrove to Wilson. Left on bases—Terre Haute, 6; Cedar Rapids, 6. Bases on balls—Off Reno, 3. Hit by pitcher—By Reno (Wilson); by Fitzpatrick (Wycall's). Struck out—By Reno, 1; by Fitzpatrick, 2. Umpire—DeLave. Time of game—1:40.

piled up a good lead in the early rounds, but Krips staged a comeback in the final rounds and was able to overcome the lead against him and earn a draw. Ritchie used a good left hand to jab away at Krips' face and early in the fight he drew the claret.

Kid Napoleon of Spring Valley quit after two rounds with George Cummings of Davenport, claiming he was not in condition. When a man is given a chance to show his wares in a ring, he is expected to be in shape and Napoleon's lack of incentive was contrived by the crowd to be caused by something else. He flashed forth in the opening round and looked pretty good but Cummings took his time and by the end of the second had given Napoleon everything. It is pretty certain the Davenport would have scored a knockout had it continued.

Kid Showers of Peoria defeated Kid Potter of Davenport handily in four rounds. Showers fought a careful, methodical battle and landed hard blows on Potter with telling effect. Potter was larger and more lumbering in his movements.

Tommy Babb and Fremont Jack fought four rounds to a draw in the first preliminary. The boys again displayed a willingness to mix it and the plans were pleased.

HURLS NO-HIT GAME.

Omaha, Neb., May 14.—Palermo, local Western league pitcher, hurled a no-hit game against Joplin. He struck out seven of the batters who faced him and gave one base on balls. Donovan, Joplin, allowed only two hits, but netted one run which won for Omaha.



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Chicago, May 14.—Outbatted and outtailed, but not outpitched, the Cubs corralled the final game of the set with Brooklyn yesterday by a score of 2 to 1 because they were better insured to winter work than the Robins.

Sergeant Alexander and Ensign Potter were the opposing slabs and the only persons in the ball park who were able to keep any near normal temperature. Alex was hit quite a bit harder than Jeff, but the Cubs were handed four free tickets and two of these helped them to their pair of battles. The Robins would not have registered their lone tally without the assistance of a boot by Holtcher. Score: R. H. E.
Brooklyn 3 1 1 3 0 0
Chicago 2 0 1 9 2 0
Pfeiffer and Elliott; Alexander and Killefer.

DUNDEE VS. JACKSON.

Newark, N. J., May 14.—Johnny Dundee and Willie Jackson, lightweights, will meet in a 12 round bout here tonight. It will be the fifth bout between the boxers but the first to go beyond eight rounds.

WILDE STOPS MURRAY.

Philadelphia, May 14.—Battling Murray went less than two rounds here last night in his second battle with Jimmy Wilde, flyweight champion. Wilde dropped him with a left and two hard rights to the jaw.

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